

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 16:56:28 1994
Message-Id: <m0quPaK-000040C@next3.acme.ist.ucf.edu>
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 14:36 EDT
From: clarke@acme.ist.ucf.edu (Thomas Clarke)
Subject: Driilling Glass

Heres how ATMs (Amateur Telescope Makers) do it.
Chuck a hollow tube in a drill press, you might cut
little slots in the tube, but not essential.
Make a little dam of clay around where you want the hole.
Fill in the dam area with water and abrasive powder
(silicon carbide) and let the tube then wear or abrade
a hole in the glass. Add water and abrasive as needed,
don't push too hard and have patience.
Half way from each side avoids break out.

This is how the big holes in mirrors and lenses are made.

Tom Clarke

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 17:39:27 1994
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 1994 16:00:11 -0400 (EDT)
From: JEVERHART@cayman.vf.ge.com
Message-Id: <941010160011.21007496@cayman.vf.ge.com>
Subject: Re: drilling glass/Sugar Pop Morse

Jeff, on Oct 7, you wrote wrote:

> Just received a complimentary copy of DOTS AND DASHES from
> someone on the net; this journal is for the OT landline
> telegraph ops. Apparently these folks have a telephone
> network set up so they can hook up their telegraph sounders
> and keys and have landline QSO's - they're using today's
> telephone lines to emulate the telegraph lines of yester-
> year! Amazing. This journal is the voice of the MORSE TELE-
> GRAPH CLUB, INC. organized 1942. If anyone is interested
> contact R.A. Iwasyk, 12350 W. Offner Rd., Manhattan, IL
> 06442. They speak American Morse.

Here's some more related stuff.

A few years ago I met one of the members of the MORSE TELEGRAPH CLUB in the Railroad Museum at Strasburg, Pa. Several guys had a setup simulating two morse telegraph offices in the building, complete with hand keys, sounders, green eyeshades and other authentic looking paraphernalia (no spell-checker on the VAX - I had to go to the dictionary for that!). He told me that the club

sets up such exhibits at various public places to preserve their part of Americana. Many of the members are hams and they do communicate over the air in American Morse. Those who do are, of course, bilingual (or is that bidigital or bicodal :) ?).

In our conversation, the fellow also mentioned that some of their members have private wire line setups (on their own property). Some also hold local and regional club meetings where they show off their equipment and operating skills. To top it all off, the East and West Coast chapters have simultaneous conventions (bicoastal, I guess). And since some of their numbers have the right connections (groan!), They are able to get a coast-to-coast dedicated wire pair and communicate via morse sounders over the 2K+ distance. I suspect that they do not really have a direct wire connection. AT&T or whoever it is these days probably sets up modems at a central office at either end of the continent and sends audio in between. I don't even want to think about the capacitance of a 2500 mile wire pair!

72,

Joe E. N2CX

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 14:41:58 1994
From: WaltN@aol.com
Message-Id: <9410101152.tn259682@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 11:52:54 EDT
Subject: Manuals needed, please

I am looking for manuals for the following test equipment:

Sprague Tel-Ohmike Model TO-6A Capacitor Analyzer
Hickok Model 209A VTVM (large meter type)
Jewell Radio Set Analyzer Pattern 444 (1920s vintage)

I also need the manual a military antenna coupler:

CU-1388/FLR-9(V) (8-set, solidstate)

Finally, I need the following receiver manuals:

Hallicrafters SX-88 Run 2
Hallicrafters SX-62A

Happy to buy, borrow to copy, or pay for copying. Please reply by phone or email.

Thanks!

Walt Novinger

415.738.0370

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 22:18:18 1994
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 14:25:26 HST
From: jeffrey@math.hawaii.edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Message-Id: <9410110025.AA15250@kahuna.math.hawaii.edu>
Subject: More Tubes For Sale

Here's a short list from rec.radio.swap - please contact the original poster if interested.

Jeff NH6IL

*****B I A*****

Article: 15910 of rec.radio.swap

>From: jorden@bianca.amd.com (Pat Jorden)

Subject: Tubes for sale...

Keywords: tube, vacuum, electron, glow, valve, boatanchor

Available Vacuum Tubes for Sale:

5963 / 12AU7A	\$2.00 each, TungSol	used, tested,	8
12AT7	\$3.00 each, Sylvania and GE	used, tested,	8
5814A	\$2.00 each, Sylvania and GE	used, tested,	10
6AU6	\$2.00 each, RCA and GE	used, tested,	4
13-4 ballast	\$3.00 each, Amperite	used, tested,	2
115N030T relay	\$4.00 each, Amperite	used, tested,	2

All tubes are tested and boxed. They are previously used tubes, military grade, clean, and very good condition.

Shipping to 48 states included in price.

pat.jorden@amd.com

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 11:50:02 1994
From: Scott_Johnson-AZAX60@email.sps.mot.com
Date: 10 Oct 94 09:19:45 -0600
Subject: RE>oh, and that nerd thing.
Message-Id: <"Macintosh */PRMD=MOT/ADMD=MOT/C=US/"@MHS>

Reply to: RE>oh, and that nerd thing.

Even though nerds had their lunch money taken and got stuffed in their lockers and hung up by their jockstraps, they were in the band with the women. We were sweating and and being bruised by other guys. If I had it to do over again--

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 11:40:23 1994
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 1994 10:20:38 -0400
From: Michael Crestohl <mc@shore.net>
Message-Id: <199410101420.AA12706@shore.shore.net>
Subject: Report: Hosstraders Tailgate and Swapfest @ Rochester NH last weekend

For those who were unable to attend the Hosstraders Flea Market and Tailgate Fest here's what you missed.

We arrived at the Rochester NH Fairgrounds just after 9 AM on Friday October 7th. Our ham club, the Billerica Amateur Radio Society (B.A.R.S.) storms the gates en masse to stake out a big chunk of ground for setting up to sell stuff and partying. We had two motor homes and several cars so we were able to reserve a good area for later. I began cruising the flea market and immediately picked up a nice radio that needs a bit of work (not a true boat anchor, but it's respectable enough - a TenTec Century 21 CW xcvr). I spotted a Johnson Thunderbolt asking price \$500 in very clean shape, but I observed severe pitting on the chassis and figured that it must have been stored down in someone's basement for many years. There were not as many boat anchors as in past years, but there were enough to keep everybody happy. Our club regards Hosstraders (also known as Deerfield) as a big club event including our now-famous pot luck supper which was great as usual. The evening was spent partying and cruising the grounds and we went to sleep in out tents or motor homes after 2AM.

Up at the crack of dawn, there were many new bargains to be found. A guy showed up with a pile of military surplus (but new-looking) TenTec hf receivers that went in a matter of minutes for \$225.00. I guess we'll be seeing them around for a while at somewhat higher prices.

By 9AM the place was in full swing. I noticed that attendance was down in comparison with May, but later they announced that there were over 5000 tickets sold. I sold a lot of stuff and we all came home happy. I saw many prominent AMers around, including Tim WA1HLR, Bill K1KV and Thomas K1JJ. We drove back to Massachusetts via Concord NH (so my wife could have a run through the L.L. Bean outlet store that was also having a sale) and ran onto Tim and the gang on a local repeater and joined them for dinner in Concord before drivin back to MA.

The weather was absolutely perfect for both days. Couldn't have been any better! It was just great and I highly recommend The Hosstraders to anyone who wants to find some good stuff. Next Hosstraders will be on Friday, May 12th and Saturday May 13th at the same location.

See you there?

73,

Michael Crestohl KH6KD/W1
mc@shore.net

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 15:37:56 1994
From: TOM.A.ADAMS@mail.admin.wisc.edu
Subject: The Sermons of K9TA
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 13:04 CDT
Message-Id: <EAAD0401.EAAD0415@mail.admin.wisc.edu>

to: boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu

Hello Jack.

Re. your request for permission to reprint my ranting; Yea Verrily, do so! Such is fulsome praise indeed, and I thank you for it!

Re. me:

Yeah, you've got as pretty good picture there. I'm 45, and was first licensed in 1963 (I got my Novice, WN9LGD, the week before Kennedy's assassination). Yep, K9TA was a freebie during the first "giveaway" of callsigns. Even that fits into the subject at hand.

I was in a college dorm with a Galaxy V Mk. II in my closet, and tried to work CW Sweepstakes as WA9QMB/9, which has to be the WORST CW contest call ever used!

Shortly thereafter, the FCC said no more \$20.00 fee for specific calls for Extras, so I got the forms.

I decided on a 1 x 2, but I'd always kinda held W 1x2s in awe; THESE guys were the REAL Old Timers, and I'd never met one I couldn't respect. In deference and respect to them, I took my initials, but with a K prefix.

The only problem with K9TA is that I'm frequently called as "K9K", with the accompanying comments of "Gee, what a funny call. How'd you get it?".

Gotta run now.

73's,

Mr. T., K9TA

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 13:39:31 1994
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 1994 12:02:40 -0400
From: Michael Crestohl <mc@shore.net>

Message-Id: <199410101602.AA17006@shore.shore.net>
Subject: TV7 A/U Tube tester book needed...

Just going through the weekend's hamfest haul from Hosstraders.....

I picked up a nice military tube tested TV7A/U and need the book that is normally screwed to the inside top cover that gives the various settings for each tube and other testing information. Does anyone happen to have a junker unit with the book still attached to the cover? The unit is pretty much a boatanchor without it!

73,

Michael Crestohl KH6KD/W1
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From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 14:20:33 1994
From: "Mark Glusker" <glusk@mechcad3.esd.sgi.com>
Message-Id: <9410101014.ZM10570@mechcad3.esd.sgi.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 1994 10:14:50 -0700
Subject: Re: TV7 A/U Tube tester book needed...

On Oct 10, 12:02pm, Michael Crestohl wrote:
> Subject: TV7 A/U Tube tester book needed...

> I picked up a nice military tube tested TV7A/U and need the book

Try Antique Electronic Supply. They have copies of the newest version of the test book. They are even punched to fit the rings in the lid of the tester.

Mark

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 15:51:36 1994
From: JosephWP@aol.com
Message-Id: <9410101423.tn271234@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 14:23:18 EDT
Subject: Re: TV7 A/U Tube tester book needed...

Michael,

AES (602 820-5411) has reprints for \$ 5.00.

Joseph Pinner +
Lafayette, LA

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From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Mon Oct 10 16:09:48 1994
Message-Id: <9410101835.AA26980@wrdis01.robins.af.mil>
Date: Mon, 10 Oct 94 14:35:23 -0400
From: lakeith@wrdis01.robins.af.mil (Larry CONTRACTOR Keith Mr.)
Subject: Re: TV7 A/U Tube tester book needed...

In your message of 10 Oct 1994 at 1314 EDT, you write:

> I picked up a nice military tube tested TV7A/U and need the book that is
> normally screwed to the inside top cover that gives the various settings for
> each tube and other testing information. Does anyone happen to have a junker
> unit with the book still attached to the cover? The unit is pretty much a
> boatanchor without it!
>

I would be happy to zerox a copy of my copy.. But, I believe Aintique
Electronic Supply has reprints for about \$5..

73,

Larry, KQ4BY